**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

The specification as amended below with replacement paragraphs shows added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~.

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 23, to page 9, line 13 with the following paragraph:

In each column $R_1$, $R_2$, $R_3$, .... or $R_m$ of the display screen ES, each of the two address electrodes A1 and A2 is a band-like conductor being bent regularly and is continuous from one end of the column to the other end. The address electrode A1 crosses display electrodes $Y_1$, ~~$Y_2$ and $Y_3$~~ $Y_3$, and $Y_5$ of odd rows $L_{odd}$ without overlapping the partition 29 in a plan view and crosses display electrodes $Y_2$, $Y_4$ and $Y_6$ of even rows $L_{even}$ with overlapping the partition 29. On the contrary, the address electrode A2 crosses display electrodes $Y_1$, $Y_3$, and $Y_5$ ~~$Y_2$ and $Y_3$~~ of odd rows $L_{odd}$ with overlapping the partition 29 and crosses display electrodes $Y_2$, $Y_4$ and $Y_6$ of even rows $L_{even}$ without overlapping the partition 29. In other words, the address electrode Al is so patterned as to generate the address discharge only in odd rows $L_{odd}$, while the address electrode A2 is patterned so as to generate address discharge only in even rows $L_{even}$. The overlapping portion of each electrode with the partition 29 does not form a discharge space and is an area that does not generate a discharge. In this portion, the partition 29 works as an insulator preventing a discharge.